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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Sylvia Burssens et al.

Examiner: C. Collins

Serial No.: 09/673,710

Group: 1638

Filed: March 7, 2001

Docket: 1187-18

For: STRESS TOLERANT PLANTS

Dated: October 18, 2004

BOX RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed September 16, 2004, Applicants submit herewith a corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section which complies with 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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PATENT APPLICATION Attorney Docket: <u>1187-18</u>

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

[★] No additional fee is required.

For	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate (Small Entity)	Addit. Fee	Rate	Addit. Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS*	16	78	0	x 9 =	\$0	x 18 =	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	3	0	x 43 =	\$0	x 86 =	\$0
[] First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				145		290	\$0

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- [X] Please charge any deficiency as well as any other fee(s) which may become due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and/or 1.17 at any time during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment of such fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 04-1121. Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding are required for the pending application(s), please treat this paper as a petition to extend the time as required and charge Deposit Account No. 04-1121 therefor. A DUPLICATE OF THIS SHEET IS ENCLOSED.

Respectfully submitted,

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